

Recently, Honor Flight Nevada transported Mr. Hayes to see his ship for the first time in 71 years and made arrangements so that he could go on-board USCGC TANEY. During his visit, Mr. Hayes saluted the flag and honored his fallen comrades. He is the last known surviving member of the ship's crew from that day. This is truly an incredible opportunity provided by Honor Flight Nevada. No words or actions can adequately thank Mr. Hayes for his service, but those who went above and beyond to make this trip possible stand as examples of how we should honor our veterans.

As a World War II veteran, Mr. Hayes' commitment to his country, as well as his dedication to his family and community, exemplify why the legacy of all World War II veterans must be preserved for generations to come. These veterans truly are the Greatest Generation, selflessly serving not for recognition, but because it was the right thing to do. As a member of the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee, I recognize that Congress has a responsibility not only to honor these brave individuals, but to ensure they are cared for when they return home. I remain committed to upholding this promise for our veterans and servicemembers in Nevada and throughout the Nation.

Mr. Hayes displayed true courage and loyalty in defending our country, especially on that historic day during the attack on Pearl Harbor. I am both humbled and honored by his service and am proud to call him a fellow Nevadan. Today I ask my colleagues to join me in recognizing Mr. Hayes for all that he has done for our country. I wish him well in his future endeavors.

30TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COMMISSIONING OF USS "NEVADA," SSBN 733

Mr. HELLER. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize the 30th anniversary of the commissioning of USS *Nevada*, SSBN 733. I am proud to honor one of Nevada's namesake ships and all Americans that served aboard her.

Launched on September 14, 1985, USS *Nevada*, SSBN 733, is a U.S. Navy *Ohio*-class ballistic missile submarine and the fourth U.S. Navy ship named in honor of our great State. She was sponsored by Carol Laxalt, the wife of then-U.S. Senator Paul Laxalt. Upon launch, Captain F.W. Rohm was in command of the Blue Crew, and Captain William Stone led the Gold Crew. The submarine was then commissioned on August 16, 1986. She is now one of eight *Ohio*-class ballistic submarines homeported at Naval Base Kitsap-Bangor, where crews have worked tirelessly to preserve this national treasure. It gives me great pleasure to honor the history and heritage of this ship and her crew members who sacrificed so much defending our freedoms.

The brave men and women serving in the U.S. Navy have demonstrated true commitment to our Nation with their

selfless actions and exemplify why the legacy of all veterans must be preserved for generations to come. As a member of the Senate Veterans' Affairs Committee, I recognize that Congress has a responsibility not only to honor these brave individuals, but to ensure they are cared for after their return home. I remain committed to upholding this promise for our veterans and servicemembers in Nevada and throughout the Nation, including those who served on USS *Nevada*, SSBN 733.

Today I ask that we recognize the 30th anniversary of the commissioning of USS *Nevada*, SSBN 733, and all that sailed aboard her. I am both humbled and honored to commemorate these brave men and women and to celebrate this important milestone. May we never forget the legacy of this great submarine and her gallant crew.

200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE TOWN OF GUILFORD, MAINE

Ms. COLLINS. Mr. President, today I wish to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the town of Guilford, ME. Located in the heart of the beautiful Maine Highlands on the banks of the mighty Piscataquis River, Guilford was built with a spirit of determination and resiliency that still guides the community today.

Guilford's incorporation on February 8, 1816, was but one milestone on a long journey of progress. For thousands of years, Maine's Western Mountains were the hunting grounds of the Abenaki Tribe. The reverence the Abenaki had for the natural beauty and resources of the region is upheld by the people of Guilford today.

Early settlers at the dawn of the 19th century were drawn by fertile soil, vast forests, and fast-moving waters, which they turned into productive farms and busy mills. With the Piscataquis providing power, Guilford became one of the premier manufacturing communities in northern New England, with skilled workers producing everything from textiles and furniture to toothpicks and violin strings. The wealth produced by the land and, by hard work, innovation, and determination, was invested in schools and churches to create a true community.

Guilford is a town of patriots. Throughout the town's history, the men and women of Guilford have stepped forward to serve our Nation, and the veterans memorial stands in solemn tribute. It is significant that a highlight of this year's bicentennial celebration was the rededication of the Guilford Memorial Bridge in their honor.

Guilford is a town of involved citizens. The active historical society, volunteer fire department, and library are evidence of a strong community spirit. The planning and volunteerism that have gone into this yearlong bicentennial celebration are evidence that Guilford's spirit grows only stronger.

This 200th anniversary is not just about something that is measured in

calendar years. It is an occasion to celebrate the people who for more than two centuries have worked together and cared for one another. Thanks to those who came before, Guilford has a wonderful history. Thanks to those who are there today, it has a bright future.

ADDITIONAL STATEMENTS

TRIBUTE TO GARRY RAYNO

• Ms. AYOTTE. Mr. President, today I wish to recognize and honor one of New Hampshire's finest and most respected journalists, Garry Rayno of the New Hampshire Union Leader. Garry is set to retire after a long and impressive career covering news and people in the Granite State.

Today, he and his wife, Carolyn, live in Bow, just a few miles from our State's capital. Garry currently works in the Union Leader's State House Bureau, where he has had a front-row seat for debates that impact the future of our State. These days, he is perhaps best known for writing the State House Dome column, a must-read round-up of political news for readers following events at the State House in Concord.

As a first-rate journalist, Garry has committed himself to putting forth the facts and figures so that New Hampshire residents can be apprised of legislation, votes, and negotiations that impact their daily lives. His writing allows readers access to detailed accounts of everything from political careers of New Hampshire State representatives to our State's efforts to combat the opioid abuse epidemic.

It has been a pleasure to work with Garry over the years during my time at the attorney general's office. We will certainly miss his straightforward analysis and reports of what's happening in Concord. Since announcing his retirement, numerous letters to the editor by citizens and elected officials alike have been published in the Union Leader, thanking Garry and lauding his excellent and informative coverage of the Legislature.

I join with New Hampshire residents, as well as his colleagues, in thanking Garry for his unparalleled service to our State and commitment to journalistic integrity. I am very proud to celebrate and recognize Garry, and I wish him and his wife, Carolyn, all the best as they enter this new chapter. •

REMEMBERING DONNA KELLEY

• Mr. BOOZMAN. Mr. President, today I wish to remember Donna Kelley, a longtime reporter and anchor at KARN News Radio in Little Rock, who passed away last weekend.

Donna made the move from Orlando to Little Rock to join the KARN news team 14 years ago. Her voice quickly became a mainstay on the airwaves in central Arkansas, where listeners turned to her as a trusted source of

news. In turn, Donna quickly embraced her newly adopted hometown and spoke of Little Rock with the love of a lifelong resident.

Any time there was breaking news, Donna would immediately track down everyone who could add to the story. I was always happy to talk with Donna as her sunny disposition, positive outlook, and understanding of Arkansas and the issues made for an enjoyable conversation.

In fact, with her cheerful demeanor and her great radio voice, I often joked with her about how she should have her own Delilah-style radio show.

But Donna's true passion was the news. You could tell that in her meticulous reporting on breaking news and how she tenaciously stayed on top of the stories that mattered to her listeners in an ever-changing news cycle.

You could easily judge how well-respected as a journalist Donna was, as well as how much she was liked on a personal level, by the outpouring of kind words that were shared upon the news of her passing. Public officials, fellow journalists, and KARN listeners all shared their stories of how much Donna meant to them on a professional and personal level in news reports and social media messages.

This sentiment was shared by her colleagues at KARN.

"Donna was at her happiest when she was working on a news story and never let anything keep her from getting her job done," said Cumulus market manager Keith Liesmann. "She was a friend to everyone she worked with."

My thoughts and prayers go out to Donna's friends, family, and colleagues. Her voice will truly be missed.●

RECOGNIZING THE COOPERATION BETWEEN THE CITIES OF VICKSBURG, MISSISSIPPI, AND DAYTON, OHIO

● Mr. COCHRAN. Mr. President, today I wish to express my appreciation to the Dayton Development Coalition, the city of Dayton, OH, and the Air Force Research Laboratory for recently hosting city officials and community leaders from Vicksburg, MS. Representatives from the Mississippi Development Authority, Mississippi State University, and the U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center also joined this trip to share ideas about how these two communities can continue their progress in support of these two critically important Department of Defense laboratories.

I would like to especially recognize Jeff Hoagland, Michael Gessel, and John Ingham of the Dayton Development Coalition for the guidance and insight they have provided and continue to provide to the Vicksburg community. I also appreciate Dayton Mayor Nan Whaley and the offices of the Senators from Ohio for their hospitality and insight. We hope that this is the beginning of a long and prosperous re-

lationship between the city of Vicksburg, MS, and the city of Dayton, OH. I look forward to our continued work together and hope that Vicksburg will be able to host a delegation from Dayton in the near future.●

TRIBUTE TO DAWSON COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS AND DEAN MYER

● Mr. DAINES. Mr. President, today I would like to recognize the students of Dawson County High School and Industrial Arts teacher Dean Myer. Thanks to their initiative and hard work, children and families in Dawson County will be able to create wonderful memories this summer at Penninger Park.

Due to staffing issues and delays at the Public Works Office, brandnew playground equipment had been sitting dormant in a storage unit for over a year and a half. The students and their teacher, Mr. Myer, recognized the problem and proactively decided pull the equipment out and construct it for all to enjoy.

Hands-on problem-solving is a wonderful Montana lesson, and I am proud to see our educators teaching the next generation practical skills in an innovative and community centered manner. With an eagerness to learn and help their community, they started work on the project in April and completed it before the end of the school year.

The students in Mr. Myers' class took on nearly every aspect of this project from reading the blue prints and measuring the site to learning how to operate complicated equipment. I am so impressed with the proactive teaching of Mr. Myer. I truly believe that you remember a lesson a lot longer if it requires you to get a little dirt under your fingernails.

Along with technical skills, the students learned an invaluable lesson on how to work together. Their teacher says, "One thing the class really emphasizes is getting along with other workers." Thanks to their cooperation, Jack Rice, Glendive Public Works director, is now hoping to collaborate with Mr. Myers and future classes on upcoming community projects.

Their camaraderie and hard work will leave a lasting impact on the community of Glendive. For years to come, this park will be a place where Montanans can come to run, climb, laugh, and enjoy the outdoors. In 20 years, I hope that those responsible for this park will return to take their children to play on the slides and jungle gym they helped build.

Thank you to the students and Mr. Meyer. I look forward to hearing about the next innovative work you will do together to benefit Montanans in the future.●

MESSAGES FROM THE PRESIDENT

Messages from the President of the United States were communicated to

the Senate by Mr. Williams, one of his secretaries.

EXECUTIVE MESSAGES REFERRED

As in executive session the Presiding Officer laid before the Senate messages from the President of the United States submitting sundry nominations which were referred to the appropriate committees.

(The messages received today are printed at the end of the Senate proceedings.)

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE

ENROLLED BILL SIGNED

The President pro tempore (Mr. HATCH) announced that on today, June 29, 2016, he has signed the following enrolled bill, which was previously signed by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. HARRIS):

H.R. 3114. An act to provide funds to the Army Corps of Engineers to hire veterans and members of the Armed Forces to assist the Corps with curation and historic preservation activities, and for other purposes.

MEASURES REFERRED

The following bill was read the first and the second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

H.R. 4902. An act to amend title 5, United States Code, to expand law enforcement availability pay to employees of U.S. Customs and Border Protection's Air and Marine Operations; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

MEASURES READ THE FIRST TIME

The following bill was read the first time:

S. 3110. A bill to provide for reforms of the administration of the outer Continental Shelf of the United States, to provide for the development of geothermal, solar, and wind energy on public land, and for other purposes.

EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, and were referred as indicated:

EC-5952. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pentaerythritol tetrakis (3-(3,5-ditert-butyl-4-hydroxyphenyl)propionate); Exemption from the Requirement of a Tolerance" (FRL No. 9947-45) received in the Office of the President of the Senate on June 28, 2016; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-5953. A communication from the Director of the Regulatory Management Division, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "2-propenoic acid, 2-methyl-, 2-oxiranymethyl ester, polymer with ethene, ethenyl acetate, ethenyltrimethoxysilane and sodium ethenesulfonate (1:1); Tolerance Exemption" (FRL No. 9947-34) received in